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MODIFICATION TO EXPENDITURE FROM CRF AND NCCF
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have given any directions to the State Governmentsparticularly Government of Kerala regarding the modifications to the expenditure from the Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) and the National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the proposals received from Government of Kerala in this regard; and

(d) the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) to (d): The award of the Eleventh Finance Commission (EFC) requires Central Governmentto prescribe items and norms of expenditure for assistance from CRF and NCCF, to be applicableto all the States. It further provides that in specific cases, the State Specific Norms may also beprescribed on request of State Governments concerned. Accordingly, `immediate repair of bunds in Kuttanad and Kole Land specific to the small and marginal farmers` has been includedunder State Specific Norms for Kerala for the period 2000-05, at the request of the State Government.